

IDENTITY

***KNOWING WHO
GOD MADE YOU
TO BE***



***WEEK
FOUR
K-5TH***

Day 1—Read Psalm 145:3

Have you ever thought about what God looks like? Do you have a picture in our mind? Maybe you think of a version of Santa Claus with a long white beard or a powerful king sitting on a beautiful throne. Imagining is just one of the wonderful abilities God built into each one of us!

God did give us a glimpse of Himself. Because God sent Jesus, His only Son, to show us who He is. Jesus grew up just like you're growing up. He had friends and siblings, chores and schoolwork. He may have even learned to build things in his dad's carpenter shop.

Jesus taught people about God, healed the sick, calmed storms and performed amazing miracles. But His purpose for living here on earth was to save us! The things we do that we know are wrong separate us from God. When Jesus chose to die on the cross, He took our punishment on Himself to make a way for us to be part of God's family forever.

So while we can never really understand just how great God is, we can have a relationship with Him through Jesus. God created you to share His story because everyone needs to hear the good news about Jesus!

Day 2—Read Matthew 5:13

Circle the foods below that are better with salt:

Saltine crackers

French fries

Fruit Salad

Hamburger

Chocolate Chip Ice Cream

Pizza

Chips

Pretzels

Popcorn

Have you ever eaten a pretzel or a tortilla chip without salt? Without that salt, it's not nearly as tasty. As followers of Jesus, we are to act like that salt, making the world around a much better, friendlier, more loving place to live. When we love others like Jesus loves us, when we're honest and trustworthy, we spread spiritual salt all around.

Jesus also warns that we can lose that saltiness. That's why it's so important to stay connected to Jesus by reading His words in the Bible, going to church to learn more about Him and spending time talking to Him in prayer. We were made so that we could tell others about Jesus and be "salt" to make a difference in the world around us! God created you to share His story.

Day 3—Read Matthew 5:14-16

Grab a flashlight and head to the darkest room in your house (like a bathroom without windows). Take your Bible and GodTime card along. Turn off the light, close the door and count to sixty. When you finish counting, turn on the flashlight.

Did you make it the whole sixty seconds? Would you want to live in darkness like that all the time? No way! You wouldn't know where to go and you'd probably be a little scared.

In a similar way, that's what it feels like for a person who doesn't know the good news about Jesus. They're really in the dark without a purpose. Imagine not knowing that you were made by God because He loves you. Imagine never hearing that Jesus loves you and that He made a way for you to be a part of God's family forever?

You are like that flashlight to the people around you. Because you were made by God to share His story, it's up to you to shine a light and point others to God.

Every time you hit a light switch this week, ask God to help you be a light and tell others about Jesus by the words you say and the way you act!

Day 4—Read Mark 16:15

Did you know that animals can talk? They might not speak in words like humans do but they definitely communicate with each other.

Fun facts:

- When a scout bee spots the perfect flower, he flies back to the hive and does a little happy dance to let his other bee friends know where the good stuff is.
- White tailed deer use the white underside of their tails to warn of a predator or let that predator know it's been spotted.
- Gorillas hum when dinner is ready and to show they're happy. When a gorilla sticks out its tongue, that's usually a sign they're angry.

If God was careful to give the animals so many ways to communicate, just think about the time and care He took with you. He gave you a mouth to speak and the most important message you could ever share is to tell everyone the good news about Jesus!

Grab a piece of paper and draw a large mouth. You can check out your smile in the mirror to get it just right. Then draw a large mouth bubble and write the words of today's verse in the center. Place this picture in a spot where everyone in your home can see it!

